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A GLOOMY OUTLOOK.

A Close Line of Investment Drawn Around Ladysmith by Boers.

This Gives a Superior Force to Oppose the Approach of Gen. Buller's Relief Expedition—Latest From Front.

London, Jan. 16.—Gen. Buller's latest authentic word as to what he and his 30,000 men are doing was wired from Springfield after his first forward step. Striving to think out the unknown, London is confused by suspense and rumor and disquieted by suspense. Spenser Wilkinson, the lucid military expert of the Morning Post, asserts that the Boer force in northern Natal is larger than Gen. Buller's and Sir George White's together, so that the Boers are able to leave a force around Ladysmith larger than that within the town, and yet to oppose Gen. Buller with a force superior to his own.

Reports from the Boer camps affirm that the circle of investment has been drawn closer by the occupation of some hills nearer the town, thus liberating re-enforcements to oppose Gen. Buller.

The yeomanry recruiters are disturbed by the fact that they are able to get only one and one-half companies out of upward of 1,000 applicants in the metropolitan district. All the other applicants fall short of the requirements. One thousand would be regarded as a very small number, even all accepted.

The provinces are doing better, although to raise 10,000 appears far from the easy matter it did a fortnight ago.

Among the minor perplexities of the war office is a strike among the military tailors, which causes delay in uniforming the recruits.

An interesting item of news is that 300 Boers, escorting party of reapers, have successfully garnered all the crops within two miles of the colonial camp at Bird's river, the British force being too weak to interfere.

London, Jan. 16.—The Standard gives prominence to the following dispatch, dated Saturday, January 13, from Durban:

"A man who has just arrived here from Springfield says that British column proceeding to the relief of Ladysmith, has crossed the Little Tugela. When he left it was facing the Boer position on the Big Tugela and a Howitzer was shelling the Boer trenches."

"He says also that 270 wagons laden with commissariat stores for Ladysmith had left Frere and it was expected that the column would join hands with Gen. White Monday evening. The traction engines have been doing excellent work in hauling heavy wagons out of holes and swamps. This they accomplish with the greatest ease."

"British patrols have discovered parties of Boers in the direction of Ennerdale, between Frere and Estcourt."

London, Jan. 16.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Pietermaritzburg, telegraphing Thursday, January 11, says: "The gallantry of the Ladysmith garrison last Saturday appears to have depressed if not actually demoralized the Boers generally. It is believed that they lost at least two if not three killed as against our one."

"Many Boers are believed to be trekking northward. The magistrate at Nqutu, Zululand, telegraphs that scouts report having seen many Boer families with wagons proceeding north via Zululand, while a European who formerly resided at Dundee declares that after the repulse at Ladysmith a number of Boer women loaded with dead and wounded passed through that mining township, and that the Boers burned some of the public buildings as they departed. Five days have passed since then."

Boer Headquarters, Outside Ladysmith, Jan. 9.—The Boers occupying the southern edges of Bester's Kop were driven out by the British Saturday. Commandant Nel, on the west of the town, and the Pretoria commando, on the north, have taken the kopje commanding Caesar's Camp, from which they maintain a continuous sniping of the British. The Pretoria commando lost six men killed and six wounded in attempting to storm the fort.

Cape Town, Jan. 15.—There is good reason to believe that the statement that Sir Charles Warren with 11,000 men has gone toward Weenen is correct, and we may expect important news shortly.

Reports have been received here that dysentery is very rife in Ladysmith.

London, Jan. 16.—The correspondent of the Times at Lourenco Marques, telegraphing last Saturday, says: "The Free State has now called out every available man, including the leading merchants, who had expected to enjoy immunity."

ANNUAL REPORT.

Interstate Commerce Commission Makes a Strong Plea to Congress to Uphold Their Hands.

THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Nine Cases at Honolulu, Making Twenty-Two in All—The Disease Makes Its Appearance in Brazil.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The interstate commerce commission Monday made public its thirteenth report. The feature of the report is the strong plea made that congress upholds the hands of the commission by amendments making the interstate commerce law more effective. The report says the commission a year ago called attention to the fact that in vital respects the present law has proved defective and inadequate, and that until further legislation is provided the best efforts at regulation must be futile and disappointing.

The requests of the commission for needed amendments have been supported by petitions and memorials from agricultural, manufacturing and commercial interests throughout the year, yet, says the report, not one of the statute has been changed and none of the burdensome conditions which call for relief has been removed or modified. The existing situation and the developments of the past year, it is added, render more imperative than ever before the necessity for speedy and suitable legislation. Nine-tenths of the people know that any railroad company can charge for its service whatever it pleases and as much as it pleases, without any power in this commission or any other tribunal or court to limit the amount of such charge for the future when complaint is made by an aggrieved shipper, and they are substantially of one mind in desiring that this and other defects in the statute be promptly remedied. Shippers generally also have been practically unanimous in favor of a single classification of freights, one that will be uniform for all roads and all sections of the country, and reasonably stable when established.

This general public dissatisfaction has been frequently expressed in resolutions of various national organizations, and at a conference in Chicago last November, attended by representatives from a number of national associations of manufacturers, merchants and others, bill embracing the more important amendments recommended by the commission was approved, as the measure which would best meet the requirements of business and commercial interests. This bill, Senator Cullom has introduced, and the report significantly suggests whether continued failure to perfect the regulating statute on reasonable lines will not soon result in an irrepressible demand for almost radical and drastic legislation.

Continuing it adds: "It is a matter of common knowledge that vast schemes of railway control are now in process of consummation and that the competition of rival lines is to be restrained by these combinations. While this movement has not yet found full expression in the actual consolidation of railroad corporations enough has transpired to disclose a unification of financial interests which will dominate the management and harmonize the operations of lines heretofore independent and competitive. This is to-day the most noticeable and important feature of the railway situation. If the plans already foreshadowed are brought to effective results, and others of similar scope are carried to execution, there will be a vast centralization of railroad properties, with all the power involved in such far-reaching combinations, yet uncontrolled by any public authority which can be effectively exerted. The restraints of competition upon excessive and unjust rates will in this way be avoided, and whatever evils may result will be remedied under existing laws."

The increase in railroad business the past year has been so great, the report says, that many carriers found their equipment inadequate for the service required. Revenues increased greatly, while railway failures fell off. The rush of business contributed to the improved observance of published rates and diminished the frequency of those practices which are made criminal misdemeanors by the statute.

Reference is made to the several conferences had with high railway officials early in the year with a view to gaining from each promises to maintain their published rates and to the good effect of these conferences in checking the rate demoralization then prevailing. It is denied that the conferences sought to secure agreements to maintain rates, their only purpose being to secure good faith in observance of published tariffs.

DEFICIENCY BILL.

An Appropriation of Over Fifty-Six Million Dollars is Asked for Immediate Use.

WEDDING GUESTS POISONED.

Nearly a Hundred People Made Sick by Partaking of a Wedding Feast in Chicago.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The urgent deficiency appropriation bill, the first of the important supply bills for the government reported to the house by Chairman Cannon, carries \$56,127,841, of which \$47,502,332 is re-appropriations for the military and naval establishments and \$8,525,509 direct appropriations.

The more important direct appropriations are: Treasury department, \$2,069,624; war department, \$199,617; naval establishment, \$2,750,000; post service, \$290,527; Paris exposition, \$169,500; printing and binding, \$270,000; judgments Indian depreciation claims, \$242,112; judgment, court of claims, \$2,123,925.

For transporting Spaniards home from the Philippines \$750,000 is appropriated.

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FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

First Session.

Washington, Jan. 8, via San Francisco, Jan. 16.—Since the 1st instant nine cases of plague have developed, making 22 cases to date. The board of health has adopted heroic measures and it is believed that the work now in progress will stamp out the scourge in a short time.

Thus far but one European has been attacked. This case was that of Ethel Johnson, a Norwegian girl, aged 14 years. The other 21 cases are divided as follows: Chinese, 15; Japanese, 2; Hawaiians, 3; South Sea Islander, 1.

The following resolution was adopted by the board of health:

"It is the sense of this meeting that it is a sound policy to remove to quarantine as rapidly as possible the residents of the Chinatown district and to take any and every step without limit necessary to stamp out the plague, including the destruction of buildings and other property."

In accordance with the foregoing, Chinatown is being rapidly burned out. Within a week a majority of the residents of the plague spot will be removed to new and cleaner quarters on the outskirts of the city. Thirty-one small buildings are being erected by the government. These structures will accommodate about 3,000 persons.

On the 3d inst. the board of health declared the entire judicial district of Honolulu under quarantine. All persons are forbidden to leave the district without permission of the board of health. All persons outside of the district are forbidden to harbor any person coming from the district without the permission of the board of health. The council of state has appointed a committee of five members to investigate the cause of the plague and to fight the plague and place the city in a proper sanitary condition.

Some of the captains of the sailing vessels leaving here for the coast are relaxing from the strictness of the rule of taking no passengers from Honolulu, and there is now some chance for people to go away if they are willing to go on sailing vessels.

The schooner Columbia, which leaves here next week, is taking passengers. She goes to Port Townsend.

The bubonic plague appears to be spreading in Japan, as shown by advice up to December 30, received this morning via steamship China. At Tai-hoku four fresh cases and one death were reported on the 24th, and on the following day there were four deaths and two new cases. Up to the 26th there had been 15 cases at Osaki and 22 in Kobe.

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In our last week's issue on the Corporation, we meant not to say a word against our town or its good citizens. No one would be farther from it than we. We expressed that love that a parent has for a child, and mildly rebuked a certain prevalent spirit throughout our town and community. We are here to fight for the very best interest of our county and towns therein. We have closely watched men in their upward and downward courses. We have seen towns flourish as the bay tree and others wither as the grass under the blustering rays of the scorching summer sun. We spoke what we thought, experience has taught us and realizing that the great majority of our people want to improve morally, intellectually and financially we deemed it proper and right to up-hold and maintain as far as we could, the town corporation. As an editor, and interested in the building up instead of tearing down, we shall always speak plainly but without a desire to wound any one's feelings; without malice; without envy. Our rule will be to tell the truth and shame the devil. The corporation is not dead but has been snoozing in the dreamy land of Nod. The people should stand by the Marshal. The Marshal should do his duty by arresting every man that violates any ordinance, whether white or black, rich or poor, big or little, large or small, regardless of race or previous condition of servitude. It takes active, and courageous men to be successful custodians of a town. Instead of forcing our citizens to pay a municipal tax and work upon the streets six or eight days, simply levy a reasonable road tax—say of ten cents on each hundred dollars worth of taxable property and employ laborers who will do good, honest work, and we will in a few years macadamize every street we have. As it is, the citizens must pay from \$5 to \$8 for road working each year, when little good is accomplished, when under the system of taxation, the citizen who had \$2,500 of taxable property would pay only \$2.50, which would furnish the town more work than \$5 paid as it is now. The Board should never make any order unless it is wise and best, then enforce the order regardless of whom it effects. It is not right to force Tom Proctor to put down a sidewalk and not treat the Welsh heirs likewise. It is not right to compel Mrs. May Seeley to put down brick and permit Mrs. Baker to keep the slick rock front, the same kind as Mrs. Seeley had down. We simply call attention to these things because the law should fall alike on all. Wake up, gentlemen! Give us a good, active Marshal. Let the Trustees and Police Judge arouse themselves to a realization of the true situation. Let the people hold up the officers and stand by them in the discharge of their duty and we will soon be in the vanguard of a triumphant march.

THE Louisville bar, or the best element of it, has taken a step to raise the standard of admission to the bar. This is certainly a step in the right direction to stop shysterism. For years it has been that men of no moral courage or legal learning, could be admitted. The medical profession has made rapid stride in this regard and there is no reason why the legal should not do it.

The Court of Appeals on last Tuesday decided that Gov. Taylor did not have authority to appoint Messrs. Mackay and Cockran as Election Commissioners to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation of Judges Pryor and Captain Ellis. The injunction was therefore reinstated, restraining Appellate Clerk Shackelford, from swearing them in and restraining Taylor's appointees from acting as such officers.

THE Republican leaders must have forgotten what unpleasant results happened to Mr. Harrison's administration in consequence of the Homestead out-break, or how badly Mr. Cleveland's reputation among the great Moses' suffered on account of the calling out of Federal troops in Chicago.

MAJ. MCKINLEY will have nothing to do with Kentucky's fight. It is not his fight. He has neither right nor authority to effect it with troops, and no one knows it better than the President.

LIVINGSTON.

Mrs. George McCarthy was called home by telegram announcing the dangerous illness of her father.

Rev. J. E. Watson, Baptist, preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

A very pleasant social given by Miss Cora Adams last Monday night was enjoyed by her friends.

A new yard master arrived at the home of Thos. Farley Jan. 10—weight 10 pounds.

Rockcastle river is free of ice and logs and ties are coming for Bowman & Cockrell.

Mr. Geo. Pope has taken charge of the Eight Gables.

W. M. Fields leaves for his Lincoln home this week.

Ed, in your letter on Livingston you omitted the name of one of our best business men, Mr. Dave Griffin.

We are about to kill the prodigal as the calf (Pete Bryant) has returned, look out Pete or I will write you up.

John Walton has rented his hotel and moved to his Klondike farm.

Land, Stock, Crop

Henry Garten, of Bradfordsville has shipped eight car loads of mules South this winter and sold them so as to make him a nice profit. He bought a number of them in this county at \$70 to \$80.—Stanford Journal.

Well-posted men say the 1900 wheat crop will be something immense, and that the outlook for good prices are gloomy. Hood Worthington has received a letter from his brother, Jas. T., who lives near a railroad in the State of Washington, in which he says he has 5,000 bushels of No. 1 old wheat worth there only thirty-six cents a bushel. It is to be hoped, however, that unforeseen circumstances will put better feeling in the market.—[Danville Advocate.

The Harrodsburg Democrat notes the sales of a lot of hogs at \$3.15, and another lot at 3½ cts.; nine thousand pounds of chickens at 5 cts.; 13 work mules at \$65 to \$90; 10 yearling steers at 4 cts.; and the lambs from one thousand ewes at 5 to 5½ cts.

J. P. Harper, of Hustonville, will leave for Salisbury, N. C., Thursday with 180 hogs he bought of various parties at 3¼ to 3½ cts.

D. C. Allen got 3c to 4.55 for a load of hogs in Cincinnati Saturday.

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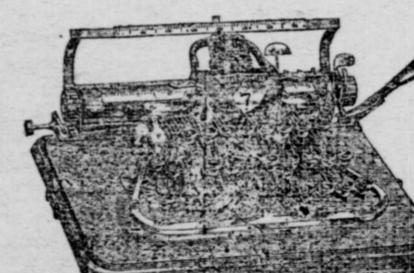
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LOCAL and OTHERWISE.

Mt. U. G. Baker and family are visiting at Withers this week.

Wm Baker of Mt. Vernon was in town Monday.—[Pathfinder.]

Harry Blazer, the hustling saw mill man, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Ella Suttles of Pine Hill, died Saturday morning of pneumonia.

W. H. Jones, the hustling merchant and lumber man of Wildie, was in town Tuesday.

The new band will make its first appearance on the street to play to-morrow at 2 o'clock.

Bro. Wheatley filled his appointments at the Baptist church Sunday and Sunday night.

Aunt Pollie Sparks, aged about 80 years, died at her daughter-in-law near Conway Sunday.

G. W. Taylor reports the literary society recently organized at Buckeye, to be moving along nicely.

Messrs. L. W. Bethurum, Joshua Boreing Sr., Bogue Phillips and J. J. Cook have gone to Frankfort.

Miss Mary Colyer informs us that Rev. John C. Carmical will preach at the Baptist church Sunday night. Everybody invited.

J. J. Towery, of Level Green, was in town Monday, and Dr. Benton of Brodhead was here Tuesday.

Our jailor, G. S. Griffin is very ill this week with typhoid fever, Dr. A. G. Lovell is the attending physician.

J. E. Singleton and H. S. Jones, two clever knights of the grip were mixing and mingling with our merchants Monday.

Mrs. Sue Mullins and Mrs. Wilmet Poynter, of Livingston, were the guests of Mrs. W. M. Poynter of this place, Monday.

Mrs. Sarah Purcell and little grandson, Freddie, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Houk, at this place.

Messrs. J. B. and Charley Johnson of Cooksburg and B. P. Allen of Berea were in town Saturday, and each one left his subscription for the Signal.

Messrs. James Crawford and George Fish, two of Rockcastle's most substantial farmers were in town the last of the week, and while here paid the Signal office a very pleasant call.

John Myers, better known by all his associates as Judge, died at his home Saturday, of consumption. John was an exceedingly good boy and well liked by all who knew him. The Signal regrets very much to hear of his sad death, and extends to the bereaved family its deepest sympathy.

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Georg Brown's little girl accidentally fell and broke her arm Wednesday.

Why not buy where you can get goods cheap; at A. Bryant's near railroad crossing.

For the best flour in town, by the barrel or sack, for the least money, call on Houk & Son.

Dr. Pennington, Dentist, will be at the Miller House during Circuit Court prepared to do all kinds of dental work.

Rev. Wm. Williams, who has been pastor of Flat Rock church for twelve years, has resigned. Rev. Phelps has been called.

The arrival of a fine boy at the home of our friend J. C. Rymel on Jan. 10th, is the cause of that big smile which Lum is continually carrying here of late.

Ed Sexton, Bob Norton, Dock Norton, R. L. Brav and John Graves are some of the good substantial farmers who have been in to see the Supervisors this week. If there is one thing more than another we are proud of, it is that "Buck Vernon" has safely returned from Salt river to "Betsy and the children" and we hope to hear from him often through the Signal.

The prize offered by Judge Williams to the new member of the band who made the best progress, was on last Monday night, by unanimous consent of the members, award to Walter Mullins.

Prof. W. S. Hall of Somerset and J. N. Brown, of Level Green, opened a school at Level Green Academy, Jan. 8th—All branches from Orthography to Latin will be taught. Board and tuition cheap.

Senator Farris introduced a bill to make it unlawful for any corporation to contribute to any campaign fund of any political party or promises or threats to influence or attempt to influence the vote of any employee of such corporation.

J. H. Pettus, who has been holding the L. & N. office down at this place for the past two months, has returned to his old stamping ground at Brodhead to work nights. Mr. Pettus is a mighty clever man and we regret very much to give him up.

Egbert Gaed was fined in County Court \$20 and cost for disturbing religious worship at Old Scaffold Canoe church; Wilson Duncan \$1.00 and cost for being drunk; Nelson Owens \$1.00 and cost on same charge and \$2.50 for shooting in the town of Livingston.

If you want your collars, cuffs and shirts done up nicely bring them to Mrs. Cleo Brown's Millinery store and the agent, McKenzie Brown will send them to the Lexington Steam Laundry which is every where recognized as the best and most reliable in Kentucky. an 19-1f.

In our write-up of Livingston last week, we left out not only one of Livingston's best merchants but also one of Rockcastle's best and most substantial citizens and that is our friend David Griffin. This was purely an oversight on our part and we desire to beg the gentleman's pardon for such negligence.

On Monday Jan. 22nd, there will be a man here from Glancey, Ky. with samples of tobacco, and will on that day in the court-house at 1 o'clock explain to the farmers of Rockcastle, the advantages they will derive if they will devote a part of their time to the raising of tobacco. Let all the farmers throughout the county come in on that day and hear the gentleman.

A number of new bills were introduced in the Senate last week including the old McChord Railroad Bill; a bill to establish a prison for women convicts; an "initiative and referendum" bill; a bill to provide for the viva voce system of voting; a bill to protect citizens, officers and candidates from campaign slanders, and a bill to prohibit the wearing of high hats at theaters, halls and opera houses.

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FRANKFORT HAPPENINGS.

TAYLOR is still Gov.

GOEBEL is President pro-tem of the Senate and presided Monday.

Senator Dye presented an act reducing the salaries of the State officers.

MR. ORR of Owen, has introduced an amendment to the Goebel election law.

A bill has been introduced to stop the manufacture and sale of cigarettes. It ought to pass unanimously.

Senator Johnson, of Louisa, has introduced a bill to prevent the shipping of C. O. D. jugs into local option counties.

Hon. B. J. Bethurum has introduced a bill in the lower House, giving the Commonwealth the right to open and close the argument in a criminal case.

MR. BETHURUM has introduced a bill in the House to work men on the county roads two days each week; six days in the year and more, if necessary.

The Franklin county grand jury returned indictments against John Whallen and Charley Ryan, charging conspiracy to bribe State Senator S. B. Harrel, of Logan county, the case will be called for trial January 25th.

Hon. T. L. Edelen, ex-Governor W. O. Bradley, Col. W. C. P. Breckinridge and Judge Wm. H. Yost, appear as the attorneys of record for Gov. Taylor and Lieutenant Governor Marshal. What a brilliant array of counsel!

This has been a red-letter week for the Capital city. The coming of Bryan, his speech, the banquet with our beloved ex-Gov. McCreary as the toast master and the election of that matchless son of Kentucky soil, J. C. S. Blackburn to the U. S. Senate. Great God, Sydina! We are tickled to death, nearly. Bring our slippers! Fetch the brandy bottle quick as a flash! Get me a ceg-are out of the box and light her, old gal, ready for a smoke case our spirits are running high.

Hon. D. G. Colston, of Middleboro, and Lieut. Ethelbert Scott, a nephew of former Gov. Bradley and Judge Morrow, engaged in a duel, at close range, in the lobby of the Capitol Hotel, at Frankfort, Tuesday afternoon. Scott was killed and also two bystanders, Luther W. Demaree, assistant postmaster at Shelbyville and Charles Julian, of Frankfort, met death. Capt. Ben B. Golden, of Barbourville, who was a candidate before the last Senatorial convention which was held at this place, was probably fatally wounded. Harry McEwan, of Louisville, was shot in the leg and O. D. Redpath, a traveling man, had his leg broken. Scott's body received four bullets from Colston's pistol while Colston's clothes show that four bullets passed through them, one striking him in the arm, producing a painful wound. Colson surrendered to the police.

Mr. J. A. Oliver and Miss. Rena Jones were married at Brodhead Sunday Rev. A. J. Pike, officiating.

Misses Ellet and Lillie Butner of Wildie are visiting their sister Mrs. W. H. McClary of this place this week.

WILDIE.

Allen Hiatt bought of A. W. Stewart Monday, a small tract of land on Renfroe's creek belonging to Isaac Stewart, for \$25.00.

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Green Durham was arrested, tried and acquitted Friday in Squire Sigmund's court for abusive language to Pryor Dalton.

Anderson Proctor and wife, of near Langford, were in Wildie, Monday.

Prof. Phillips is getting on splendidly with his school. He has 35 to 40 pupils in attendance. The Prof. is an up-to-date teacher.

Bogue Phillips was in Richmond first of the week.

Prof. J. J. Towery, one of Rockcastle's most promising young men and teachers, but at present salesman and book-keeper for Elrod & Deboard merchants in the southern part of the county, was visiting his many friends near Wildie Saturday and Sunday.

BRODHEAD.

"Bogue" Brown and John Cress were here Wednesday buying stock.

Misses Helen Sayers, Emma Brown and Anna Owens, of Freedom neighborhood, were in town shopping this week.

Mrs. Charlott Jarrett is on the sick list.

Capt. Evans' wife is convalescing.

Rev. A. J. Pike is preaching every Saturday and Sunday to good churches in the Bluegrass section.

The select school which is being taught by Miss Bettie Hendrickson, is progressing very nicely.

Tilden Frith, who accidentally got his leg broken during the Holidays, is improving.

Uncle Josh Dunn and wife were called to the bedside of their brother-in-law, Mr. Henderson, of Garrard county, who is very low with consumption.

Jack McCall, who has been engaged in railroading in Tennessee, for a number of years, has resigned his position and come to Brodhead to look him out a farm.

Mr. Welch, of the Pine Hill Coal Company, was down Wednesday.

Master Arthur Carson, of Livingston, is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Bettie Brown is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Gusie Albright at Rowland.

W. J. Sparks, the hustling businessman, was down from Mt. Vernon last Saturday.

H. H. Painter was telephoned Friday to come to the bedside of his daughter, Mrs. Edith Pence, at Somerset. She is very low with rheumatism.

Mrs. Sophia Howard started to her sisters in Nebraska. Tuesday.

POSSUM HOLLER.

[Level Green.]

Dear Editor:

I am still on praying grounds and pleading terms with the Higher Powers, for which blessing I am truly thankful.

School opened here last week with an attendance of 35 pupils for a beginning, with many more expected soon.

Tommy Thum Brown has been confined to his bed for a week from what nearly approaches pneumonia.

Bad colds and some threats are very common.

Master Jack Sutton, preparatory to house keeping, procured last Thursday, a first-class Baker—a regular Lula.

Everything seems to be moving smoothly at Frankfort, and the Democrats are behaving like little men and getting right down to solid business. They have many jobs on hands, one of them rather extraordinary—yes a Whallie or Wholopin big one.

I am a little sorry for old Four cause he's sich a dainfuze az to let them that fellers make a cat ov

him, so now halt and take a lesson in the school of experience where many other fellers have been educated before.

My ole woman, Betsy, sez Buck, sez she, "what is testin, protestin or attestin' the election mean?" Sez I, "Betsy, these things is men's business and too hard and deep fur short sited wimmen to comprehend, and they air political questions too and it is not looffel fur wimmen to dabbel in Polityx." But, sez I, "as we hav been trottin in the same harness, (not political) so long, upon your promise not to tell Uncle Bill or Dr. Price, I'll tell you." "Betsy quickly and willingly agreed to my requests, and I proceeded. "It means that candidates who failed to get offices want them still, and generally succeed in takin them from those who seem to have them." "Thus we see the scripture fulfilled, 'Unto him that hath it shall be given, and him that hath not, that shall be taken from him which he seem to hav.'" Betsy said I ort to be ashamed to mix up the Bible with Polityx and try to count Goebel in, in that way, and I dunno if it be rite or not. It does make a heap of difference as to whose steer has been hooked, don't it?

In 1876 when the Republicans were goring our big ox to death we squirmed and wiggled and protested, but it dun no good for the gorin just went rite or till they took what we seemed to have and added to what they had—see? And we didn't fite about it neither, did we? We won't have no war this time nuther—no indeed. The whole thing is virtually settled now except a little surplus gas that must be bled off and then all will be calm and serene. Again, as Bill Arp expresses it, I larn last nite that Joe Blackburn is selected to the Senate agin. Hurraw for Joe, aint he a wheel hoss and a hoss at the wheel? Hoping that all will be well in due time, I am yours very peacefully,

BUCK VERNON.

EXECUTORS SALE!

The undersigned, will on Friday, the 26th day of January, 1900, on the premises near Maretburg, sell at public sale the personal property belonging to the estate of Leroy M. Houk, deceased, consisting of farming implements, one saddle mare, one work mule, one wagon, seven stock hogs, hay, corn, &c., &c., &c.,

TERMS OF SALE:—A credit of six months will be given, notes with approved security will be required of purchaser before property is removed.

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GAVE HIM A TONIC.

The Over Zealous Bellboy Gets a Suitable Reward for His Check.

A well-known drug drummer, who is paying his regular holiday visit to New Orleans, took the train last Monday evening for a little side trip to Baton Rouge and in the hurry of his departure left a handsome bone-handled umbrella hanging on a hook in the lobby of the hotel. It was a tempting prize, but probably every kleptomaniac who saw it supposed the owner was seated next af hand. At any rate, it remained unclaimed and was sold at the yard when the drummer returned. "By the way," he remarked, after he exchanged greetings with the clerk, "I've managed somehow to lose my new bone-handled umbrella. Have any of you seen such a thing lying around the office?"

A quick-witted bellboy heard the question and, glancing around, saw the missing article hanging within a foot of his head. Supposing it had been there for only a few moments, he promptly grasped the ferrule. "It is this one?" he inquired. "Yes!" exclaimed the overzealous boy, "and I must say I'm surprised nobody has snatched it!" "Aw, they couldn't do that," replied the bellboy. "I've been holdin' on to it fer y' ever since y' hung it up." The drug drummer stopped with a wistful smile overspread his countenance. "Well," he said, slowly, "I was intending to give you half a dollar, but if you've been holding that umbrella for three consecutive days you're more in need of a tonic. Here's a capsule of quinine and iron." The gloom which settled down upon the bellboy might have been down with an ax—*N. O. Times-Democrat*.

Near Unto Greatness.

A Louisville woman who spent the summer at a famous mountain resort in Virginia declares that, like all other places of the kind, it has its star boarder. This one was a young southern girl. She was not pretty, yet far from being homely; there was no special style about her, and she was as heavy on hand as a log, and, last of all, she was not particularly rich. But she lorded over the place, and all the other boarders walked behind like the sister of giddy "Dodo." The Louisville woman was kept trying to find the key to this social mystery. Once in, she chatted with the female potentate. They talked on and on until finally the subject turned on the Davis family. "Did you know any of them?" she asked.

"No," replied the girl who-walked-before, grandly, "but I just missed traveling on the train once with Winnie Davis."

And then the other women from the south gazed reverently at the "just missed," and the Louisville lady exclaimed, softly: "Eureka!"—*Louisville Times*.

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FROM ALL OVER THE STATE.

KENTUCKY LEGISLATURE.

A Synopsis of the Doings of the Kentucky Solons in the Senate and House of Representatives.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 10.—Senate.—The state voted for United States senator, J. C. S. Blackburn receiving 22 votes to 12 for W. O. Bradley. Bills were introduced to establish a state board of health; changing time of holding court in the 1st district; amending the local option law; to prohibit pools, trusts and monopolies; to expand the Eddyville penitentiary; to prohibit lobbying in the legislature; to abolish the constitution so as to abolish the secret ballot.

House.—It was bill day in the house, and the following bills were introduced: To empower the boards to issue bonds for the construction of school buildings; to create a state labor bureau; to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes; anti-trust bill entitled "A act providing for the punishment of pools, trusts and conspiracies to control prices"; to provide a uniform system of text-books in schools, and to reduce price thereof; providing for the payment of evidence of debt for assessment; making the payment of a poll tax a qualification for suffrage; providing for keeping blood-hounds for detecting criminals.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 10.—Senate.—The following bills were introduced: Program for placing apparatus in schools for teaching geography, etc.; defining lobbying and making it a felony; amendment to the law concerning the right to run passenger instead of mixed trains; regulating freight rates; making it unlawful for any corporation to contribute to a campaign fund; to establish prison dealers; providing for a vive voce vote at all elections; to better enforce the local of the law against wearing high hats in theaters, halls and opera houses.

House.—The house, by a vote of 51 to 40, adopted the joint rules as passed by the senate on Saturday. The two to no motion was carried and decided the election of Mr. Blackburn for United States senator.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 11.—Senate.—Bills were introduced as follows: Appropriating \$75,000 for the establishment of a library in the state dormitory for State A. and M. college; school books commission bill, the commissioners to be appointed by governor, and not more than three from one political party, with a provision for the deduction of increasing the salaries of all state officers; bill making law the practice of osteopathy.

House.—The house adopted a joint resolution providing for committee to investigate contempt charges against John H. Whallen in his alleged attempt to bribe Senator Harrel. Representative Barton of Pendleton, introduced a bill authorizing the spending of real estate every four years, instead of yearly, as at present.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 12.—Senate.—The senate unanimously concurred in the house amendment to the resolution providing for committee to investigate charges against John H. Whallen. The amendment requires the presiding officers of each house to name two democrats and one republican on the committee. A joint resolution was adopted January 8 to pay tribute to the memory of the late Reuben Conner, of Boone county. Mr. Conner was three times a member of the lower house of the legislature.

House.—The bills were introduced: Empowering the penitentiary commissioners to parole convicts; bipartisan election law; that adulterated baking powder be marked; compelling railroad companies to furnish separate coaches for colored passengers as good as coaches for white passengers, and prohibiting killing of infant, partridges or pheasants between February 1 and November 1; compelling officers of all mail companies to file bonds of individual liability. The house adjourned to Monday.

HEARING HAS BEGUN.

Contests for Governor and Lieutenant Governor Being Tried by Legislative Committees.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 16.—The hearing of the evidence in the contests for governor and lieutenant governor has begun. The committee in the governorship case is composed of Senators Frazier, Crenshaw and Allen, and Representatives Hickman, Barton, Finn, Sledge, Lyon, Berry and Renick, democrats, and Yarberry, republican.

The committee in the case of the lieutenant governor is composed of Senators Coleman, Harrell and Watson, and Representatives Crawford, Alexander, Baird, Bell, Holland and Sharp, democrats, and Representatives Read and Lilly, republicans.

Representative Hickman is chairman of the committee trying the governorship case, and Senator Coleman is chairman of the lieutenant governor's.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 16.—The gubernatorial contest board, after listening to hours of argument by the attorney on motions and objections, finally reached the stage of examining witnesses.

Charles P. Weaver, mayor of Louisville, was the first witness called. After the examination had proceeded at considerable length Mr. Phelps, of the Goebel side, asked the question, "Did the state of facts existing at Louisville on or before November 7 with reference as to peace and good order justify calling out troops on election day?" Mr. Weaver said that owing to incendiary speeches and publications in the newspapers there was a feeling of unrest but not such, he thought, as required the military; the local authorities he regarded as amply equal to the occasion. He detailed the steps which he as mayor had taken to preserve order, mentioning the appointment of special police, etc.

H. P. McDonald, of Louisville, was the second witness. He testified as to the entry of anti-Goebel inspectors inside the polling booths by a mandatory order from Judge Toney to the other election officers and also that republican election officers threatened him with arrest by federal marshals for challenging Negro voters. He served as a democratic election officer. The falling off in the democratic vote in his precinct he attributed to threats and intimidation. The board then adjourned.

Gov. Taylor's Appointments.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 16.—Governor Taylor sent to the state the following nominations of trustees for the State A. and M. college at Lexington: L. J. Crawford, Newport; J. C. Flory, Paducah; W. H. Wadsworth, Maysville; Wilbur F. Browder, Russellville. He also asks confirmation of several of Governor Bradley's appointees, including the present state board of equalization, commissioners of the school of reform, trustees for the insane asylums and schools for deaf mutes and commissioners of the feeble-minded institute and of the state normal school for colored persons.

Released With a Provis.

Lawrenceburg, Ky., Jan. 16.—Active preparations are being made by the Kentucky Distilleries and Warehouse Co. to start their houses in this country. The big T. B. Ripy distilleries, at Tyrone, with a capacity of 2,000 bushels per day, will run day and night, mashing 4,000 bushels. The McBrayer & Bond and Bond & Lillard houses will also run. Extensive improvements have been made by the company at all of these houses, and they will start as soon as the necessary papers are received from Washington.

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Rumored Engagement Denied.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 13.—The story that Miss Corinne Blackburn, daughter of Senator Blackburn, is to wed Senator Goebel is declared by Blackburn's friends to be false. The young woman is almost broken hearted over the recent death of her mother. She was sent home to Woodford county from Frankfort because it was feared that her numerous visits to the latter's grave would result in permanent injury to her health.

Suit Against the L. & N.

Bowling Green, Ky., Jan. 16.—W. W. Richardson, a young man of this city, has filed suit in the circuit court for \$10,000 damages against the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co. The plaintiff charges that while employed by the said company he was struck by a heavy piece of iron, which was caused by the negligence of the company's agent. The case was set for trial on Thursday, the 25th inst.

Death From Heart Failure.

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 16.—A letter from Newport News says that Maj. J. C. Bryant is critically ill at that place. Maj. Bryant was in command of a battalion of the 3d Kentucky volunteers during the Spanish-American war.

Mangled over a Train.

Cynthiana, Ky., Jan. 13.—James Hayes, aged 55, prominent and respected citizen of this county, while on his way home late in the afternoon, was struck and instantly killed by an L. & N. southbound passenger train in a cut just north of here. His face was mangled beyond recognition, one arm broken in three places and several ribs broken. He was identified by having one toe missing from the left foot. Deceased was engineer at the pumping station one mile north of here and had been employed by the L. & N. for 15 years.

Killed a Wild Cat.

Greenup, Ky., Jan. 14.—John J. McAllister and his dogs killed a monster wild cat at the Allcorn hills, near town. The animal weighed 68 pounds and measured 53 inches from tip to tip.

New Cable Lines.

France is absolutely dependent upon Eng- and for news of the Transvaal war, because the cables are under her control, and she is ready to spend a vast sum of money to free herself. The American people, who, after allowing dyspepsia to settle in, then spend a fortune seeking deliverance, says, "Buy money and try Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, the medicine which never fails to cure dyspepsia, constipation, biliousness, malaria, fever and ague."

A Suspicious American Tourist.

The American tourist is so firmly convinced that he is being cheated on all hands during his European travels that he occupies himself with schemes of prudence. What is the price of this pair? asked a young man in a Paris shop, handling a small silver brooch of exquisite workmanship. "Twenty francs, monsieur," said the clerk. "That's altogether too much," said the young American. "It's for a present to my sister. I'll give you five francs for it." "Zen it would be if I sat geve five francs for it," protested Tufts, gleefully. "No, you did," declared the other; "you made it in 39. You hit that cow 37 times, for I counted every stroke," and Tufts conceded the hole.—*San Francisco Argonaut*.

Cow in a Golf Match.

Ed. Tufts, of Los Angeles, was playing golf with a friend recently. When he drove from the third teeing ground, he sliced the ball badly and sent it away to one side. It stopped in front of a grazing cow, and Tufts, in just time to see it disappear into the bovine mouth. When his opponent had made his stroke, Tufts, with the ball in his hand, and, with many sounding thwacks of his club, drove the beast to the third hole. There he made her disgorge the ball, and, neatly holing it, announced that he had made the hole in two strokes. His opponent calmly finished the hole in seven, and claimed the hole. "But I made it in two," protested Tufts, gleefully. "No, you did," declared the other; "you made it in 39. You hit that cow 37 times, for I counted every stroke," and Tufts conceded the hole.—*San Francisco Argonaut*.

An Appeal to Humanity Generally.

We need your assistance in announcing to the world the greatest remedy that Science has ever discovered. We will give our assistance to secure relief for yourself and friends through Swanson's "5-DROPS."

As surely as the American Navy has conquered and will conquer all that opposes it, so will "5-DROPS" unfailingly conquer Rheumatism, Sciatica, Neuralgia, Kidney Troubles, Lumbago, Catarrh of all kinds, Asthma, Dyspepsia, Backache, Sleeplessness, Nervousness, Heart-Weakness, Toothache, Earache, Bronchitis, etc. "5-DROPS" is the most grand and powerful Trial bottles 2d. Large bottles, containing 200 drops, \$1.00 prepayed by mail or express. Six bottles for \$5.00. Write now, and the Swanson Rheumatic Cure Co., 164 Lake St., Chicago, Ill., will immediately give your order attention.

Words and Their Effects.

"Do you believe in the influence of single words on a person's character? Some people have advanced the theory, you know."

"Yes, I do. There's my wife, for instance. She rises in the morning pale and listless. She picks up the morning paper. Suddenly her eye brightens, her face flushes, her whole appearance changes. A single word has wrought the miracle."

"What's the word?"

"Bargains!"—*Cleveland Plain Dealer*.

Abnormal.

Mammy—I wouldn't want no gal ob mine to marry dat Sam Johnson.

Dinah—"Yo' wouldn't?"

"No, why, dat felah am jes' as bout dress as a sensible niggah ud be 'bout muthahmills!"—*Park*.

Largest Seed Growers in the World.

The John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., recently shipped Twenty thousand bushels of seed potatoes to Alabama, Florida, Texas and other southern points. This firm is the largest grower of seed potatoes as also farm seeds in the world.

"When a man's young he's anxious to show his knowledge," said the Manayunk philosopher; "and when he gets older he's just as anxious to conceal his ignorance."—*Philadelphia Record*.

Children Shout for Joy

When they take Hoxsie's Croup Cure for Coughs, Colds and Croup. It is so nice and cures so quick. Does not nauseate. 50 cents.

A woman's way is to get the best of an argument and then cry as though her heart would break because she has done so.

Philadelphia Times.

The Queen & Crescent

Only through Pullman line to Florida. The Queen & Crescent only through car line to Asheville.

Energy a Factor.

All things come to him who waits, but the fellow who hustles does not have to wait so long.—*St. Louis Star*.

The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a glass of Grove's TASTELESS CHILL TONIC.

It is simply iron and quinine in tasteless form. No cage—no pay. Price, 50c.

A man can't make his home brighter by making light of his wife's trouble.—*Chicago Dispatch*.

I can recommend Piso's Cure for Consumption to sufferers from Asthma.—E. D. Townsend, Ft. Howard, Wis., May 4, '94.

We always criticize; others find fault.—*Philadelphia Times*.

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Look at yourself! Is your face covered with pimples? Your skin rough and blotchy? It's your liver! Ayer's